Share of Agriculture in Grosos Dmestic Products

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Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state:

(a) whether the share of agriculture in Gross Domestic Product (at factor cost) at 1970-71 prices, came steeply down to about 34.5% in 1985-86 from about 57% in 1950-51; what it has been in each of the last two years and the current year ; and

(b) the reasons of giving agriculture a low priority in all the six/seven Five Year Plans, resulting in such a comparative fall in the share of the agriculture sector in the National Gross Domestic Product?

THE MINISTER OF PLANNING AND THE MINISTER OF PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRI MADHAVSINH SOLANKI): (a) According to the New Series on National Accounts Statistics the share of agriculture sector in the Gross Domestic Product at factor cost at 1980-81 prices was 33.8 per cent in 1985-86, 31.9 percent in 1986-87, and 30.5 percent in 1987-88.

(b) Reduced share of agriculture in GDP does not imply low priority to agriculture in the Five Year Plans In real terms, value added in agriculture has gone up, and the output of foodgrains increased from 50.8 million tonnes in 1950-51 to 150.5 million tonnes in 1985-86 and is expected to touch a new peak in 1988-89. Share of agriculture in GDP has been falling because of faster growth in other Sectors like industry, infrastructure and services sector. This structural change is in line with the expectations and experience of other dynamic economies.

Manpower in the country

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Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to a report in the Times of India 29th January, 1989 stating that the Director of Institute of Applied Manpower Research, in a seminar on "Manpower Statistics" in Delhi in January last said that it was not known as to how much man-power was available in the country and that although the Planning Commission had asked the Ministry of Labour to compile details about the skilled manpower in the country during the Sixth Five Year Plan period, it would be surprising it if was completed even by the end of the Eighth Plan period;

(b) if so, what are the facts; and

(c) what are the State-wiseestimates of the available manpower?

THE MINISTER OF PLANNING AND THE MINISTER OF PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRI MADHAVSI SOLANKI) : (a) Government are aware of the Press Report.

(b) It has been reported by IAMR that a Seminar on Manpower Statistics was organised jointly by the Institute of Applied Manpower Research (IAMR) and Delhi Chapter of the Indian Econometric Society on the 27th and 28th January, 1989; the focus of the seminar was to discuss conceptual and methodological issues related to statistics on manpower and its components, attributes and correlates ; the Director, IAMR observed in the Seminar that for accurate estimation and analysis in the field of manpower research for optimal planning, more detailed